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# Gladioli

## THE FINEST VARIETIES

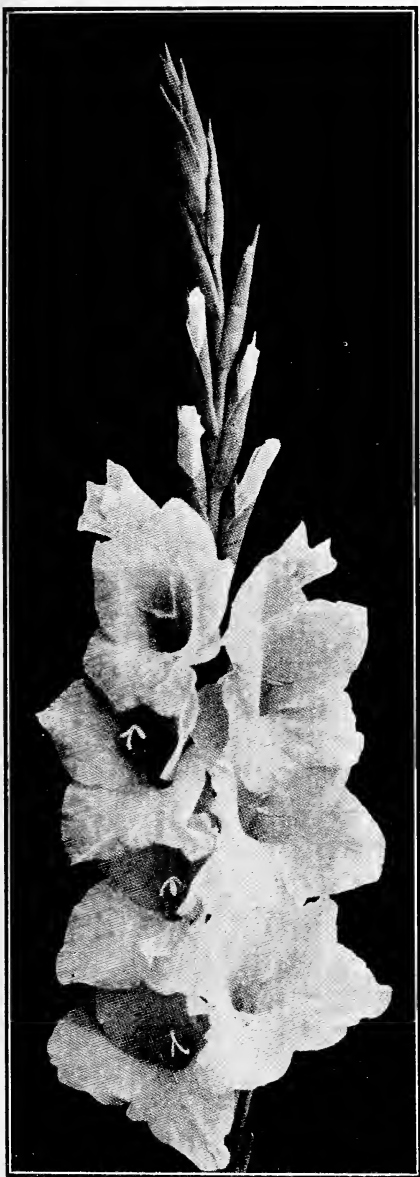
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6 FIRST PRIZES 6  
AT AMERICAN GLADIOLUS  
SHOW AT ROCHESTER IN 1923

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## R. M. DAVIDSON

IMPORTER OF RARE VARIETIES

134 Schubert Street

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.

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One dozen for 9 times the price of one

**ALICE TIPLADY (Kundred)**—A grand large flowered prim. of most beautiful orange color .....25c

**BRILLIANT**—A very early red, imported .....15c

**DUCHESS OF YORK** (synonymous with Rembrandt and L'Oiseau Bleu)—A lovely wide open blue with darker blue lower petals. Fine straight spike with many flowers open. Imported .....\$2.50

**DUCHESS OF WELLINGTON**—Large white flowers on exceptionally tall spikes. Very thin carmen stripes on lower petals. Robust grower. An imported variety .....50c

**EDITH CAVELL**—Well formed flowers of pure white with fine lilac markings on lower petals. Many flowers open at once. Very distinct. Imported. Stock limited .....\$2.50

**EVELYN KIRTLAND (Austin)**—A large wide open flower of rose pink, shading to shell pink in center, with brilliant scarlet blotch on lower petals. Spikes long and graceful. One of the most beautiful pink varieties .....15c

**FLORA (Velthuys)**—Rich golden yellow, nearly a self-color. The large lily-like flowers are compactly placed on very strong flower spikes. A vigorous grower, fine for cutting .....20c

**GOLDEN MEASURE (Kelway)**—A large, fine golden yellow, self-color. Well formed flower spike, tall and strong plant. ....50c

**GERMA**—Very tall yellow, with large beautiful flowers. ....35c

**GRETCHEN ZANG (Austin)**—Extra pink, with deeper markings on lower petals .....15c

**HERADA (Austin)**—A beautiful, large, glistening mauve. The blooms are well placed on good, straight spikes. By far the best in this color, and a very fine Gladiolus.....15c

**JACOBA VAN BEIJEREN**—An extraordinary beautiful violet self-color on erect tall stems with many well arranged flowers open. Award of merit at Haarlem in '21. Highly recommended. Different shade of violet than Van der Neer. A few bulbs to spare this year .....\$2.00

**LE MARECHAL FOCH (P. Van Deursen)**—One of the best of the recent introductions. Pure delicate rosy pink, wide open, broad petaled. Very large lilylike flower. Blooms two weeks earlier than America. Invaluable as a cut flower. ....15c

**L'IMMACULEE**—Another excellent white. Pure waxy white without a trace of a bluish. Many flowers open. Fine for all floral purposes. ....20c

**LA NUIT**—Deep violet blue, medium sized flowers that blend well with yellow shades. Better than Baron Hulot. Imported. ....50c

**LILY WHITE**—Snow white, lower petals creamy shaded. Has a nicely formed flower spike. Many flowers open at one time.....15c

**LISS**—Deep apple blossom pink, new .....35c

**MARY FENNELL**—Light lavender, lower petals penciled with primrose yellow. ....15c

**MR. C. P. ALKEMADE**—A very lovely imported variety with broad flowers of purest white on strong stems. Compares very favorably with the highest priced varieties. Received award of merit in Holland in '23. Highly recommended .....\$2.50

**MRS. DR. NORTON (Kundred)**—Finest cream and pink. The sensation among the newer Gladioli shown at the American Gladiolus Society's shows the last six seasons. Everywhere awarded the highest honors .....25c

**MRS. FRANK PENDLETON (Kundred)**—Bright rose pink on a pure white ground, with a large blotch of richest carmine red on lower petals .....15c

**MRS. O. W. HALLADAY (Kundred)**—Delicate pink with creamy yellow throat. Long stalk and many flowers open at one time .....15c

**MYRTLE**—A very fine pink blending into a deeper pink. Very early .....15c

**ODIN**—A little deeper salmon than Prince of Wales, with larger flowers and lovely deep blotch on lower petals. Very early. Exquisite variety which everybody will want .....50c

**ORANGE GLORY (Kundred)**—Grand orange color with lighter throat; heavily ruffled. A very rich and striking color .....30c

**OBELISQUE**—Very large finely shaped broad flowers of beautiful creamy yellow with dark yellow eye. Very tall stem. We took first prize with this variety at Rochester Glad Show in '23 for best yellow in competition with Golden Measure, Gold, Flora and others. Extra special. Imported. Stock very scarce .....\$3.50

**PARLIAMENT**—A bright rose with very large flowers. Does not do well in some localities, but is exceedingly beautiful when well grown .....50c

**PRIDE OF GOSHEN (Kundred)**—Salmon or flesh pink flowers; very large and petals elegantly waved. Tall and vigorous .....15c

**PEACE (Groff)**—Very large, white flowers with violet feathering on interior petals .....15c

**PINK WONDER (Kemp)**—One of the largest pink varieties ever introduced. A strong vigorous grower with many massive flowers open at one time .....50c

**PRINCE OF WALES (Van Zanten)**—Delicate salmon pink; large flowers, very early .....15c

**RED CANNA**—One of the tallest glads in culture. A rich scarlet .....15c

**REV. EWBANK (Velthuys)**—A beautiful light lavender or porcelain blue; distinct and pretty .....40c

**RUBINI (Heemshirk)**—Large flower of a bright salmon scarlet, with pure white mark on lower petals; very distinct and clear color and splendid grower. A fine new variety .....35c

**ROSE PEARL**—One of the daintiest pinks. Extra early .....35c

**SAPHO**—An unusual combination of colors. Silvery metallic blue. Imported .....75c

**SCARLATTA**—Extra fine prim., 1st class certificate at Haarlem. Most beautiful scarlet self-color. Blooms freely from bulblets. Very rare .....\$1.50

**SYMPATHY**—This variety attracted more attention in our garden for the last two years than all others combined. One stalk of it exhibited at Rochester Glad Show caused an unending stream of comments. A bouquet in itself. Listed among the whites but really beyond description. Imported .....\$3.00

**BULBLETS ONLY** of the following recently imported varieties. Very few of them have yet been seen in this country. They are the highest achievements of famous foreign hybridizers. Bulbs for sale next year.

**CORI**—Beautiful light blue variety recently imported. A strong grower. Better and more prolific than Rev. Ewbank ....75c dozen.

**FIRY KNIGHT**—That best and purest vermillion colored glad. No other shade of red is so brilliant and beautiful. It attracted a great deal of attention in our garden last year, and will be in great demand when known. It is also very early .....\$1.00 dozen.

**LA BEAUTE**—This is the variety illustrated on the front cover. It is one of the finest whites. The lower petals are just slightly touched with soft yellow .....\$1.50 dozen.

**LIDY**—A pure white with cream throat, that gives an impression of great purity of color. The flowers are of medium size but of an entirely new and very effective form. It attracts a great deal of attention .....\$3.00 dozen.

**SOUVENIR**—This new prim. attracts instant attention wherever shown. The best pure yellow glad. Unbeatable in color form and growth. Very decorative. Received 1st class certificate in Holland. Highly recommended. Dr. F. E. Bennett, President of America Gladiolus Society, in his '23 report, says of this variety, "No collection should be without this fine yellow" .....40c

**WHITE GIANT (Van Meerbeck)**—The largest pure white in existence. The plant makes a sturdy growth and the spikes are long and well filled with many wax-like blooms open at one time .....25c

**WHITE WONDER (Kemp)**—A truly wonderful large pure white, softly tinted pink and entirely without throat markings. Flowers are very large and well placed on strong, straight stem; 5 or 6 open at a time .....50c

**WILBRINK (Hopman)**—A sport of Halley and blooms about the same time; delicate pale pink. A fine cut flower variety .....15c

**WHITE LILY**—Large flowers of pure white on strong stems, flowers on both sides of spike .....25c

**WILLY WIGMAN**—Soft rose blending into white with dark red blotch .....15c

**VAN DER NEER**—Violet self-color, very rich and one of the best in this shade. This compares favorably with a variety offered last year at over \$100 per bulb. Extra special. Stock very scarce ....\$4.00

**VESUVIUS**—Attractive blood red self-color. Imported .....40c

**MAIDENS' BLUSH (Grullemans)**—Unquestionably the finest pink Gladiolus of the Primulinus type. It is a strong grower, bearing medium to large flowers of a most exquisite shade of maiden's blush pink. Delicate, dainty, beautiful. The blooms are set close and artistically on long, slender, wiry stems that lend themselves to a gracefulness seldom seen in a Gladiolus. A profuse bloomer .....50c dozen.

**ORANGE QUEEN**—Extra special variety. Received 1st class certificate at Haarlem (Holland) Flower Show in '22. A beautiful warm shade of orange not previously existing in gladioli. It will be a leader. It belongs to the Primulinus grandiflorus class .....\$2.00 dozen.

**ROSENDRA**—A rich rosy pink prim. ....75c dozen.

**VESTA TILLY**—1st class certificate at Haarlem in '22. A large strong white, with bright wine-red blotch. A greatly improved Peace. Very early .....\$1.00 dozen.

I import practically every new glad originated abroad. Many varieties not yet offered for sale in this country can be seen in my garden and will be offered from year to year as stock increases.

## TERMS OF SALE

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The above offers are made subject to prior sale. All Bulbs listed in this catalogue are of blooming size and will range from 1¼ up to 2 and 3 inches in diameter in some varieties.

**Substitution:** Under no circumstance will I substitute for a variety **sold out**, but will promptly return your money for same unless, with your permission, a higher priced or better kind can be used.

**Order Early:** Many varieties are in great demand and will be sold out very quickly. Unless you send in your order early, it will be well to make out a list of second choices. It will save extra correspondence.

**Cash with order** or 25% of amount will hold your order till March 15th, balance in advance of shipment.

**Free delivery:** I prepay all parcel post or express charges to any part of United States or Canada.

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### The Lord God Planted a Garden

By Dorothy Frances Gurney

“The Lord God planted a Garden  
In the first white days of the world,  
And he set there an angel warden  
In a garment of light unfurled.

So near to the peace of Heaven  
That the Hawk might nest with the  
Wren,

For there in the cool of the even  
God walked with the first of men.

The kiss of the sun for pardon,  
The song of the birds for mirth—  
One is nearer God’s heart in a garden  
Than any where else on earth.”

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